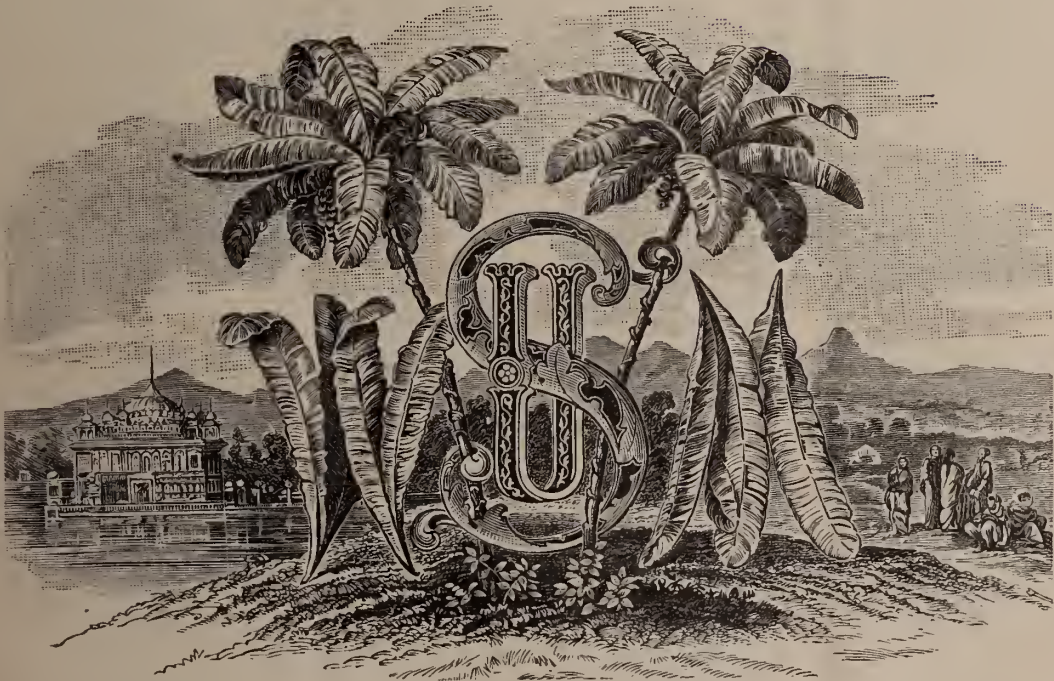
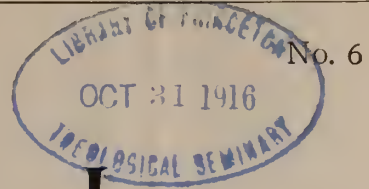


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This Society was organized in 1860, and is the pioneer of Woman's Foreign Missionary Societies in America.

It is undenominational, and so it presents a united Christian front to the heathen world.

It is carried on entirely by women, with unsalaried officers.

Its aim is the salvation and elevation of heathen women.

"Win for Christ," its motto.

WE learn that "Miss Ishiko Uyeno, daughter of the Principal of the Tokyo Middle School, distinguished herself as a teacher of mathematics. She has studied algebra and geometry, and when she was sixteen she passed an examination which qualified her to act as instructor in mathematics."

"THE work of Christianizing Japan has just begun," states Rev. Harlan P. Beach, D.D. "Only a small fraction of this exceedingly important Oriental nation has been Christianized. If we count the Japanese, there is nominally one Protestant worker for every 34,000 of the population, and after making all allowances, scarcely one for every 100,000. Though this fraction has an influence out of all proportion to its size, yet now is the time not to relax effort, but to redouble it."

AN *Indian National Church* is occupying the thought of many native Christians in India. Rev. D. L. Joshi states in an able paper read at the Bombay Conference: "There is yet to be an upheaval on the part

of the Indians towards Christianity. Those who know the religious struggles of India for the past three thousand years and the immense sacrifices made in the cause of religion can well imagine with what lustre India will shine when it is rejuvenated with the power of Christ. Of the four cradles of world-religions—Palestine, Arabia, Persia, and India—the last occupies a unique place in the history of religion. When the unparalleled religious instinct of India is made captive by the Federal Head of our race, India will shine gloriously. It will then be the 'brightest gem' in the crown of our Divine King."

WITH the death of Mr. Kali Charn Banurji, our Mission in Calcutta has lost one of its warmest friends. "He was one of the most eminent converts of Dr. Alexander Duff, and by reason of his Brahmin caste and high talents he took the leading place in the Bengali Christian community. He was an active citizen of Calcutta, interested as keenly in its affairs, as in religious and philanthropic work. Almost every public movement of the time received assistance from him, while in the cause of the Christian Church in Bengal he was an untiring laborer."

At a memorial meeting held for him in the Union Chapel of Calcutta, Miss Mudge writes: "The girls of our Gardner Memorial School led the singing, as they have earned a reputation in this direction. We shall miss Mr. Banurji as no other Bengali Christian for he was a unique character."

IN the *Government Blue-Book* of India we have this pungent statement: "As a pagan the Indian is a liability; as a Christian he is becoming an increasing asset to the nation."



PUPILS AT THE SARAH F. GARDNER MEMORIAL.

IN EASTERN LANDS

INDIA—CALCUTTA.

OF THE LORD.

By MISS S. C. EASTON.

THE name of God that comes to me very frequently these days is "Wonderful."—"And His name shall be called Wonderful." "He only doeth wonders." "Marvellous are Thy works, Lord God Almighty."

Much has been going on in our midst at which we have exclaimed: "It is the Lord's doing, and marvellous in our eyes."

In a very marked way the presence of the Holy Spirit has been in our midst before, but now our hearts are filled with joy as we are led to see something of God's purposes of love and grace for us. There are very few if any of our girls in the *Gardner Memo-*

rial School who have not shown a real desire to get rid of sin in heart and life.

A little praying band among the girls, meets each evening to seek the baptism of the Holy Spirit. They have chosen the name "Daniel's Band," and include in their membership the strongest girls in the School. Some are urgently asking for baptism, while others have a desire to tell the glad news of Jesus and His love to others.

That which has caused us deepest joy is the manifest working of the Holy Spirit in the hearts of our teachers in the Hindu schools. They are Christian women, but a change has come, and the difference is very evident in their work. They seem more desirous for the salvation of the little Hindu girls under their charge, and their influence can tell mightily for the hastening of our Lord's Kingdom in this land.

As you rejoice with us, I know you will ask for us, that "the name of our Lord Jesus Christ may be glorified in us."

ALLAHABAD.

OUR ZENANA PARTY.

By Miss M. NAOMI CONKLIN.

JUST after my arrival at the Mission Home in Allahabad the Missionaries began planning very definitely for a *Pardá* party for the high-caste zenana women. I was delighted because of the privilege of seeing how a gathering of this kind could be the means of spiritual good to the women. It also rejoiced my heart that it would serve as a preparation for the work for which the Lord has called me to India.

Miss Wishart decorated the drawing-room very prettily with feathery green bamboos, palms, ferns, and vases of flowers; a small Christmas tree graced one corner, with its candles lighted, and underneath were loving gifts for each pupil. It was a silent but shining testimony to all, of the love of God who gave His Son to be the Light of the world. When you hear that this happy occasion occurred on the 11th February, I am sure you will think of a cold winter scene, nature covered with its robe of snow, and people wrapped in warm furs. But let me change the picture for you into a scene of a balmy day in June. It was warm and beautiful, not a cloud in the sky, birds singing, and fragrant roses blooming in the garden.

The women began to arrive in closed *garis* robed in dainty silk *saris*. Their arms were covered with bracelets and armlets made of richly chased gold. The fronts of their jackets were covered with gold chains and many wore pearl necklaces. Because of their custom, our Indian guests came without shoes, but wore silver ornaments on their feet instead. Miss Wishart invited Lady Stanley and Lady Burkitt and a few others who had expressed a wish to meet the Indian ladies taught by our Mission, and all of this was done with the thought of giving pleasure to the women who by custom are forced to live shut-in lives in the zenana.

A few years ago it was only possible to get single families to visit our Mission House, but now they are willing to come together. We were surprised to gather an audience of fifty of our pupils on a Hindu fast-day, which in itself might have prevented their coming.

Last and best of all, the Gospel message was given, and it was, indeed, a real feast to some of the hungry hearts. Those of us who

have left home and loved ones to live and toil in this heathen land have much to encourage us. God is working; saints feel that these are great and solemn days and that the dawning in India is near.

JAPAN—YOKOHAMA.

OUR COUNTRY STATIONS.

By Miss S. A. PRATT.

BEFORE Christmas I went across the Bay to visit the work there. We had a smooth passage and then went by *jinrikisha* to a village nearest Mr. Ishii's house.

Mr. Ishii was the first Christian in Futsu and is very earnest and faithful. He has brought his mother to Christ, and with his wife, who is also a Christian, is doing what he can to lead his village people to know the true God. The woman in the next house has given her heart to God and is waiting to receive baptism. The mother has an evangelistic spirit, and told a sister, of whom she is very fond, she could not be happy in heaven without her, and she must believe in Jesus in order to go with her. This woman was formerly a real persecutor and made her son's life miserable.

There is a priest in this village who, while in a Buddhist college, heard about Christ and accepted Him as his Saviour and is now studying to be a teacher.

Taking the two Bible-women with me, I walked three miles to the next fishing village where we had a very good meeting. Our old blind fisherman was present and so much happier, as he is now making nets. I asked him to choose his favorite hymn and he gave out, "God is love, His mercy brightens." I wish you could have seen his happy face as he sang. He is being taught Bible verses and hymns. One of our Bible-women, who married one of the leading men in the village, has a dear little girl who has been named "Peace."

The next afternoon we went on to our third station where two Bible-women are working. You will remember that in this place, stones were thrown at the workers only a short time ago. Now three Christians are holding meetings and doing all they can to lead their friends to Christ. In the evenings they study Genesis, Proverbs,

and Acts. The Sunday-school has grown and now fifty children regularly attend.

After the various Christmas exercises were finished, I started off again for our station at the foot of Fuji. Two friends were with me: one, a lady who had never slept in a Japanese house before. She is very much interested in evangelistic work and seemed to enjoy every moment. We were met at the station by the Bible-women and then walked three miles to our preaching place. The views of Fuji as we cross the river are very beautiful. Part of the road lies between great pine trees, and I was truly grieved to hear that they have been sold to a company and are to be cut down. The Japanese are even cutting some trees down around the temples which formerly were looked upon as sacred.

We reached the preaching place at last, and after removing our shoes and putting on our knit slippers, were glad to rest a little. We all ate together a feast prepared by the Bible-women, consisting of rice, fish, radishes, cabbage, macaroni, and seaweed.

Very soon the children gathered and repeated part of their Christmas exercises remarkably well. One of our Bible-school graduates has done fine work there and keeps the pupils interested. The Christian Endeavor Society is progressing also. I gave a talk to these children and afterwards held a meeting for adults. After breakfast came a meeting, and then in visiting I had an opportunity to talk to some women about Christianity. In another village where we have a small church the members are wide-awake. Follow us with your prayers as we are workers together with God."

SOME HAPPY LEPERS.

By MISS MARY EVARTS TRACY.

IN Japan one cannot fail to see the many lepers who are found everywhere in the great cities and villages, and I think one cannot help wondering if anything is being done to make their lives, which must necessarily be lives of suffering, more endurable.

Since living in Yokohama I have heard frequently of the Leper House in Tokyo and recently I had the pleasure of visiting it in company with one of the Board of Directors. This Home was started about twelve years ago, principally by the efforts of a Missionary of the Presbyterian Board, and it has been the

means of giving many unfortunate lepers, men, women, and even children, a comfortable, cheerful place in which to spend their last days.

The Home is situated in the outskirts of Tokyo, so that the country around is quite open, and the grounds extend over several acres, which are attractively laid out in gardens, with groves of trees.

The work is under the charge of a Board of Foreign Directors, but the immediate supervision is given into the hands of a Japanese gentleman and his wife who are earnest Christians.

It was a beautiful Spring-like day when I made my visit, and the first glimpse I had of the place was most charming, the pretty entrance gateway and neat little Japanese house, where Mr. and Mrs. Otsuka, the superintendent and his wife, live.

Many people I know have a great dread of leprosy and feel that it must be dangerous to go anywhere near one who has the disease, but Mr. and Mrs. Otsuka, who are not lepers, have lived in this Home for twelve years, of course having their own house and taking every necessary precaution to prevent contagion. One look into their faces told us how truly consecrated they were and what lovely characters they must be for I have seldom seen such sweet expressions on any faces.

We were invited to the little Chapel, where the lepers who were able to come had been gathered together. One man came in after we had entered who, being unable to walk, was carried on the back of a friend. The Chapel was arranged with an entrance at one end for the lepers and another entrance opposite for visitors.

As I saw the forty or so human beings who were affected by this disease, the sadness of it all came over me afresh, but when I noticed the joy and real happiness which shone out from the scarred faces, I could not but wonder at the power of Christianity which could brighten the lives and gladden the hearts of such sufferers. We were told that all were Christians with the exception of ten or twelve who had been in the Home for comparatively a short time.

They gladly sang several hymns for us and we were touched by their selections. "The Lily of the Valley" (which is a great favorite with all the Japanese), and the line running in Japanese "Though all the world forsake me, yet Christ will still be near," seemed especially appropriate to their condition.

HOME NOTES.

AN OLD CRITICISM.

NO statement is so often made by world tourists than the censure that missionaries are living in luxury. An exhaustive answer is given by Miss Sorabji, a Parsee of Bombay, with whose Christian work we are familiar from her presentation of it in visiting our country. The most prominent points are these:

"It was with surprise that I read the false statements made by Mr. Ak Mostundar. I should like very much to find out from what part of India the man can be, who says: 'The missionaries who are sent from this country to teach the Holy Word among the heathenish and famine-stricken tribes of East India are not accomplishing the purpose for which they are sent, and the majority of them are living a life of luxury in that country that they could not enjoy among the democratic people of the United States!'

"Let us examine the first statement: 'The missionaries are not accomplishing the purpose for which they are sent.' A glance at the British census report of 1901 will show the most casual reader; first, that the Indian Christian community is increasing at a greater rate than any other in India, and, secondly, that there are 27,000 famine orphans gathered into Orphanages by the missionaries, who by untiring and constant effort, raise the necessary funds for their support.

"The statement of the lives of luxury lived by the missionaries is an old falsehood that the opponent to Christianity has always told. It is almost as funny as the one Mr. Mostundar tells about 'the common sights in the streets of Bombay—carriages bowling along drawn by splendid horses and decorated in an elaborate manner'—that he avers belong to the missionary. Why, the Zenana Mission's dilapidated carriage and miserable-looking horse are a standing joke in India. I recall with mingled feelings of amusement and vexation the truly disreputable vehicles of the missionaries in Poona, Bombay, and other parts of India, and my English and Indian friends' remarks about them. 'A missionary's horse!' said one young Indian barrister to me. 'Oh, yes, it has points—is full of them in fact—you can hang your hat on any one of them!'

"In regard to the mode of living, luxury is a relative term. An iron bedstead, table, and chairs are luxury to the poor cultivator in some far-off Indian village,—the cultivator who rolls himself up in his blanket and slumbers peacefully under the stars, or eats his meal off a palm leaf under the spreading banyan tree that shadows his mud-walled hut.

Many of the missionaries who labor in the villages adopt, with more or less modification, a simple village life. The mission bungalow shelters the travelling missionary from another station, and so saves him hotel expenses; the occasional traveller from a distant land who is visiting missions in the Orient; the ungrateful 'globe-trotter,' who, after availing himself of its hospitality, goes home and writes a book about the extravagance of his host; the convert to Christianity who is turned out of house and home, and flies to the missionary for protection; the many little orphan babies left on the doorstep by those who know the good care they will have there; and the hundred and one enquirers and high-caste visitors who come to call, argue, and learn about this wonderful new faith the missionary holds.

"Too often the attempt of the Western missionary to live on native food has ended disastrously. Lives are too precious to be sacrificed thus to the notion that the missionary of the Gospel must abjure all normal, rational modes of living, and adopt in a foreign land, where he is working under terrible pressure, methods that his constitution cannot stand.

"The objections regarding the lack of industrial training can be refuted by a glance at any missionary report or magazine. 'Industrial Missions' are the burning question in India. I can name mission after mission where carpentry, weaving, metal-work, lace-making are being taught. I believe that there never was a more helpful period than this in the history of missions, and that we are on the eve of a great and mighty revolution in India—when India will be won for Christ."

ON DOING OUR BEST.

By REV. J. R. MILLER, D. D.

NOT one of us ever dreams of all the possibilities of his life. The plainest of us carries concealed splendors within him. If we knew what noble

qualities are lying undeveloped in us, what powers are waiting to be called out, what fine things we may achieve in the years before us, it ought to inspire us to our best life and effort. Perhaps no one ever does reach in this world all that he might attain.

In one of the Psalms is a suggestive call to awake. The writer cries to himself as one calling another from sleep: "Awake up, my glory; awake, psaltery and harp." His harp had been hanging on the wall silent, its strings untouched, and he would rouse himself that the harp might awake. All of us at times need to make this call upon ourselves. The harps are lying silent in our hearts. We do not rejoice any more. No songs break from our lips.

The figure of instruments of music sleeping is very suggestive. They are capable of giving out rich strains, but not a note is heard from them. Sometimes it is sorrow that silences the song. Sometimes it is weariness. Sometimes it is discouragement. Whatever the cause, it is not fitting that we should remain songless. The ideal Christian life is one of joy. Christ Himself always rejoiced, though His life was so full of sorrows. He sang a hymn of praise as He was leaving the upper room for Gethsemane. His harp never was songless. We are not like our Master when our hearts do not sing. We should call upon our silent harps to awake.

But there is a wider application. Our lives are to be songs, but music is not all. . . . Glory is a great word. In the dictionary it has many definitions. It means brightness, splendor, lustre, honor, greatness, excellence. It has in it always a suggestion of something Divine. The word is fitly used of human life. It would take a whole library of books to answer the question: "What is man?" An old writer speaks of man as being "not only the noblest creature in the world, but even a very world in himself."

. . .
No one in the highest flights of imagination has ever begun to dream of the full content of his own life—what it is at present, and then what it may become under the influence of Divine love and grace. Even now, man is but "a little lower than God." Then "it is not yet made manifest what we shall be." The full glory is hidden, unrevealed, as a marvellous rose is hidden in a little bud in springtime.

MEMORIAL.

IN the death, April 1st, of our Vice-President, Mrs. Mahlon D. Stambach, our Society has lost one of its most active and efficient workers. Early in life she became interested in its missions and supported one of our Bible Readers in Japan. Later our India mission strongly appealed to her and during a visit to her home in Anchorage, Ky., Miss Gardner aided her in starting a Mission Band called "Shining Lights" which gradually took up one object after another in our various stations, and later became the active centre of our Kentucky Branch.

In 1902 we were privileged to attend a Convention held in the grounds of her beautiful home, where countless activities were represented, in all of which she bore a share. Among them were missions to our "mountain whites," whose limited condition strongly appealed to her. Many a horse-back journey did she take in furthering the evangelistic work among them.

Pandita Ramabai's faith mission became of absorbing interest to her, and gladly did she entertain her daughter and pupils when in this country.

Removal to California brought her in touch with our former missionaries Miss Lathrop and Miss Ward, the former writing:

"It has been a pleasure to us to meet her as we have often done since she settled in Pasadena, and our talk has always drifted back to the Union Society. Her interest in the secluded women of the zenanas was warm, and any encouraging item from that work, caused her face to light up with that peculiar brightness which was her great charm.

"Miss Stone sent me a copy of the Prayer Calendar for this year to be given her. She expressed much pleasure in getting it, and said: 'While never forget to pray for the dear Union, this will be a reminder of the names and objects, making them more real.'

"Her activities were many: in the Sunday School, where she had a class of young girls: in work for Koreans, with whom she held a little service on Sunday afternoons. In various ways she made herself the power she always was wherever she lived. She will be greatly missed, and our Society has lost one more who loved and helped our work."



ONE OF OUR INDIA SCHOOLS.

FOR MISSION BANDS.

PRIZE DAY IN CAWNPORE.

By AN ASSISTANT MISSIONARY.

WE have been accustomed to distribute dolls, pictures, and sweets in our City Hindu and Mohamadan girl-schools to those who had attended regularly, and made progress. It was decided to try the experiment of having the various schools come to our Mission Home. We had decorated the lawn with flags, which made it look festive, and at one end was the table which held the prettily dressed dolls intended for presentation. The children were taken round to see the house and compound. When in the drawing-room, Miss Fairbank of our Jhansi Mission, who was on a short visit to us, played the piano for them, at which they were perfectly charmed.

At the ringing of a bell they assembled on the lawn, when a hymn was sung and Bible questions were asked. Then a large gramophone lent by friends was played for their amusement, and the distribution of prizes

began. As the name of each school was called, the children sang a hymn, and then each received a doll, a picture, and sweets from the hand of the sweetmeat-maker. The novelty of leaving their homes to see ours, made it a great enjoyment to them. The day was a great success, and made the children realize that they were one part of a large body, and brought them into closer touch with us of whom they know so little beyond what they see of us while visiting their schools. In one school, the parents of six or seven girls refused the invitation. They asked their teacher, who is a Christian, to bring their prizes to them. Two of them are reading the Gospel of St. John, having read St. Matthew, and when I showed surprise at their requesting their Christian teacher to bring their sweets, as she was not of their caste, remarked: "What harm can it be? Only that which comes from within can defile one."

Two Hindu girls of twelve and fourteen years of age, of their own choice asked to be given a New Testament, instead of the usual

and coveted doll. This distribution day was eagerly looked for by every pupil, and many attended solely for the sake of receiving a doll at the end of the year. Many a pupil has learned to write letters to her relatives and friends—a great ambition with them—keep the household accounts, and to read the Bible. We do not know what influences may be at work within these heathen women and children for whom Christ died, but we are certain that earnest prayer is never in vain, and that God will surely answer us in His own time and way, although we who have planted and watered may not see the harvest yet awhile.

IN THE CHAPEL.

By ELIZABETH IRVINE.

ON Christmas afternoon we followed our usual custom by having an exercise in the Van Santvoord Chapel, given by the school children, music and recitations from Scripture bearing on the birth of Christ. We keep the exercise strictly religious as a great many heathen are present, and we feel that it is an opportunity to impress them with the reverential spirit of the occasion.

You could have heard a pin drop throughout the service, though the Chapel was packed with people.

The Chapel was very elaborately decorated by the Bible-women and teachers, some of the older girls of the Bridgman Boarding School lending a helping hand. This year the Chinese undertook all the responsibility, even to contributing the necessary funds, which was the first time in the history of the Mission. I think that those who helped in any way quite entered into the spirit of the occasion.

My sister received a complimentary letter from a Chinese gentleman who was present, which was a great surprise. He has two children in the school, and his wife was a former pupil and teacher here before her marriage, and a splendid woman. The gentleman was one of a number sent by the Government for education in America.

MY CHINESE TEACHER.

By BERTHA MILLER.

IT is with much interest I have been watching the influence of the Gospel on my Chinese teacher, a young man, just twenty-one, very industrious and ambitious.

His father and mother are past fifty years, and not in very good health. He does all the cleaning and coolie work, in fact everything at home before he comes to teach us, and after his work is done at night and the other members of the family are asleep, he studies, till one and two o'clock in the morning, geometry, mining, geography, and English. I asked him if he believed in Christ, and he told me he did, but I soon found that while he did not worship idols or his ancestors, he had some very "heathen beliefs" about the other life. But his interest in the Bible has increased as he has read all of the New Testament, and is now reading the Old. I very frequently ask him the meaning of some passages just to see what his thoughts are.

I was much impressed one day when he asked me the meaning of prayer, and soon we were reading an explanation of it. At the end of the chapter was a short prayer, "Lord, teach us to pray." He said, "This is what I want." He has talked to his parents so that now they do not believe in idols or ancestor worship, and the whole family attend church frequently.

Will you not pray with us for this young man, that the Holy Spirit will lead him into the full light of Jesus Christ? So many young men do not believe in God nor in idols, and when asked, "In whom do you believe?" they say, "Myself."

LEPER CHILDREN.

By MARY E. TRACY.

MISS PRATT gave the lepers a little talk and afterwards four children sang one of their Christmas hymns, and two girls recited their Christmas dialogues. It was so sad to see these children, one of whom had scarcely a mark of the disease on her face, and yet we knew that in a year or two she would certainly become a repulsive-looking creature.

We were told a touching story about the older girl, who is now twelve years old. One day as several of the older lepers were talking about the hardness of their lot and how sad it was that they should have to be shut away from the world, the little girl said: "Do you mind it? I do not think it is hard, as it will only be for a little while, and then we shall go to heaven, where we shall be well and just like every one else."

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Mrs. B. R. Jones, salary of Miss Clark, 200.00.	
Cambridge, Mrs. A. H. Vaughan, 10.00. Randolph, Miss Abby Turner, Helen E. Knowles School, 5.00. Total,	\$215 00
Pa.—Johnstown, Dr. B. T. Caldwell, for Chameli,	5 00
Mich.—Detroit, Y. W. C. Ass'n, per Miss M. Gutekunst, for Miss Bertsch, 10.00. St. Paul's Miss. Com., per Miss H. Wunderlich, for Miss Bertsch, 12.50	22 50
Total,	\$242 50

CALCUTTA.

Mass.—Boston Br., Mrs. Austin Phelps, 5.00; Miss Mary E. Hayes, 5.00; Miss M. B. Means, 40.00; Mrs. C. R. Nichols, 50.00; Mr. Frank Wood, 50.00; all for Gardner Mem'l Scholarships. Total,	\$150 00
N. Y.—Brooklyn, Miss M. Patterson,	25 00
N. J.—Montclair, Mrs. Wm. Vernon, for Probhati,	10 00
Pa.—Philadelphia, Miss A. M. Wray, for Omasashi, orphan,	30 00
Del.—New Castle, Pres. Ch. Band: Mrs. E. S. Nisbet, 20.00; Miss A. R. Spotswood, 10.00; Miss H. Smith, 5.00; Miss Janvier, 2.00; Mrs. Geo. Peirce, 2.00; Mrs. D. Stewart, 1.00; Mrs. Wylie, 1.00; Miss Johns, 1.00; Mrs. Greer, 1.00; Miss Nivin, 1.00; Mrs. J. J. Black, 1.00; Mrs. Alex. Proudft, 1.00; Miss S. B. S., 20.00; Miss S. B. S., gift for Heron, 5.00; Miss S. B. Spotswood's coll. for Heron, Bible reader. Total,	80 00
Fla.—Haines City, Mr. R. H. Young, "In Memory of Mrs. A. T. Young," two scholarships in Gardner School,	100 00
Total,	\$395 00

CAWNPORE.

Mary Avery Merriman School.

Mass.—Lowell, Miss C. A. Hannaford, Treas., for Kaku,	
N. Y.—New York City, Miss L. P. Halstead, for child, 20.00. Mary E. Hays Band, Mrs. D. J. Reynolds, Treas., First Reformed Episcopal Church, Mrs. R. E. Rainsford, 100.00; Miss A. K. Hays, 100.00; Miss Laura Pell, 40.00; Mrs. D. J. Reynolds, 40.00; Miss H. Bement, 30.00; Mrs. John Erving, 20.00; Mrs. Wm. J. Johnston, 20.00; Miss E. Rudolph and Mrs. S. Simpson, 10.00; Mrs. F. M. Sabine, 5.00; Mrs. J. McD. Sabine, 5.00; Mrs. Robert Fielding, 5.00; the Misses Granbery, 4.00; Miss E. H. Sabine, 3.00; Miss L. Bragg, 3.00; Mrs. R. H. Pettigrew, 1.00. American Tract Soc., Dr. G. L. Shearer, Sec., for Evangelistic Gospel Literature, 15.00. Brooklyn, Pioneer Band (Clinton Ave. Cong. Ch.), Miss Hattie Wheeler, Treas., for support of Elizabeth, 20.00.	\$5 00
N. J.—Morristown Aux., Miss F. B. Coursen, Treas., toward salary of Miss Harris, 112.00. Westfield, W. F. Miss. Soc., R. E. Ch., Miss M. F. Hammer, Treas., Grace Church (Scranton), for Jane (teacher), 20.00. Total,	441 00
Pa.—West Chester, "Easter Offering for the Master," for Delari,	132 00
Iowa.—Grinnell, Westfield Union S. S., H. A. Brown, Treas., for Magnolia,	10 00
Cal.—Pasadena, the Misses Munger, per Miss M. C. Lathrop, for Lulti,	20 00
Can.—Montreal, Mrs. F. D. Adams, for Victoria,	20 00
Total,	\$648 00

FATEHPUR.

Mass.—Boston Br., Dr. Ella Everitt, for Rescue Work,	\$ 20 00
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JHANSI.

Mary S. Ackerman Hoyt Memorial Hospital.

N. Y.—New York City, "A Thank-Offering" for nurse,	\$50 00
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SHANGHAI, CHINA.

N. Y.—Brooklyn (Clinton Ave. Ch.), for child, Bridgman Home, 25.00. New York City, Miss A. T. Van Santvoord, salary Dr. Newell, 600.00; day school teacher, 40.00; Am. Tract Soc., 20.00. Syracuse, Mrs. Howard Townsend, 5.00; Mrs. F. Townsend, (Albany), 5.00; Mrs. J. B. Burnet, 5.00; Mrs. R. Townsend, 20.00; all "In Memoriam" for child, Bridgman School. Total,	\$720 00
Pa.—Robesonia, Y. P. S. C. E., for girl, Bridgman Home, 5.00; Mrs. S. E. Keiser, for Famine Fund, 6.00. Total,	11 00
Total,	\$731 00

YOKOHAMA, JAPAN.

N. Y.—Brooklyn, Mrs. Peter McCartee, quarterly for Bible Reader, 15.00; New York City, Am. Tract Soc., 15.00; Miss A. T. Van Santvoord, for Bible Woman, 60.00. Syracuse, "In Memory of Mrs. Henry Babcock," for scholarships: Mrs. E. Judson, Mrs. A. C. Chase, the Misses Gifford, Mrs. Robert Townsend, all of Syracuse; the Ref. Ch. S.-S. of Syracuse; Mrs. Townsend's Sunday-school class (R. Ch., Syracuse); Mrs. George Wheeldon, Mrs. Geo. B. Leonard, Mrs. Maltbie Babcock, Mrs. Howard Babcock, Mrs. Wm. Burnham (Irrington-on-Hudson), Miss M. Clary (Norwalk, Conn.), 70.00. Total,	\$160 00
Pa.—Pittsburg, Miss Jennie Finley, for Miss Strain's work,	20 00
Total,	\$180 00

GENERAL FUND.

Mass.—Boston Br., Coll. An. Meeting, 23.00; an. subs., 6.00; Mrs. W. Wales, 2.00; Miss Ellen Carruth, 1.00; Mrs. H. T. Todd, 1.25; Mrs. E. Crosby's Coll., a Friend, 40.00; Miss J. N. Gould, 1.00; Mrs. Crosby, 5.00; Mrs. Walter Baker Mem'l Band, 17.00. Total,	\$ 96 25
Conn.—New Haven, Mrs. C. C. Talcott, Miss R. I. Gerard,	2 00
N. Y.—Albany Br., Miss M. L. Leonard, Treas.: Mrs. Miller, 10.00; Mrs. James, refunded for express, on reports, 35; Brooklyn, Clinton Ave. Cong. Ch., Mrs. W. P. Halstead, Coll., 214.50. New York City, South Ch., Mrs. F. A. Janeway, 100.00. Total,	324 85
N. J.—Newark Aux., Mrs. R. H. Allen, Treas., collected at An. Meeting, 23.60. By Miss Miller, from Mrs. Wm. Douglas, 1.00; Miss M. Cornelia Brown, 1.00; Miss Mary C. Johnson, 1.00; Miss Theresa Burnett, 1.00; Miss Emma V. Miller, 5.00. By Miss Merry, from Mrs. John Ballantine, 10.00; from Mrs. Marshall, 5.00; Miss Wallace, freight, 5.00. Total,	52 60
Pa.—Erie, refunded by Miss S.,	60 00
Refunded, by So. Pacific Co., 14.00; by Mr. Adler, 3.90; Speir Bartlett, 2.00. Total,	19 90
Total,	\$555 60

SUBSCRIPTIONS TO MISSIONARY LINK.

Mrs. H. S. St. John, .50; Miss C. A. Hannaford, .50; Miss H. Smith, .50; Boston Br., Miss Gould, .50. Total,	\$ 2 00
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Washington Prayer Circle, Daisy,	\$15 00
For Calcutta:	
Miss Wallace, Mrs. Shome,	\$600 00
Mrs. L. A. Ross, for her worker,	4 00
Total,	\$604 00
For Cawnpore:	
Y. P. S. President St. Chapel, Passaic, N. J.:	
Mrs. Rowe,	\$30 00
Dr. W. W. Crowel, Ruby,	40 00
Mr. and Mrs. D. M. Stearns, Hiri,	10 00
Miss H. L. Hunt, Mrs. Williams,	60 00
Total,	\$140 00

For Jhansi:

Miss H. S. Hoover, for bed,	\$25 00
Miss L. E. Allen, for Bible Woman,	5 00
Mrs. G. A. Brewster, two Bible Women,	10 00
Miss A. S. Lapsley, "In Memory" Annette,	
R. Lapsley, for bed,	600 00
Total,	\$640 00

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A young man's tithe, Mrs. Tsaung,	\$5 00
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Total,	\$21 85

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Miss A. R. Harper, Iguchi Tadayo,	5 00
Mrs. B. D. Brown, Imamma Moto,	60 00
Total,	\$162 00

Total, \$1,582 85

SUMMARY.

Allahabad,	\$257 50
Calcutta,	999 00
Cawnpore,	788 00
Fatehpur,	20 00
Jhansi,	690 00
China,	752 85
Japan,	342 00
General Fund,	555 60
Link Subscriptions,	2 00
Balance of Louisa Dean Legacy, Mr. D. J. Reynolds, Ex.,	2,230 07
Total,	\$6,637 02

MARGARETTA WEBB HOLDEN, *Asst. Treas.*

Interest and dividends received, in January,	\$423 25
" " " " February,	27 50
" " " " March,	627 75
Total,	\$1,078 50

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Quarterly interest on Elizabeth Schaffer Fund,	\$ 54 00
Semi-annual int., Mrs. Earley Fund,	27 50
" " Mrs. Martha T. Carroll Fund,	11 00
" " Miss Pechin Fund,	5 50
" " Miss Davidson Fund,	100 00

Through Mrs. Shoemaker:	
Mrs. Chas. H. Thomas,	\$ 5 00
Miss Benners,	1 00
Mrs. Jas. N. Mohr, incl. <i>Link</i> ,	6 50
Miss Young, <i>Link</i> ,	50
Total,	\$13 00

Through Mrs. Robertson:	
Miss Emily M. Newton, for life membership,	50 00

Through Miss Catharine Lindsay Ireland:	
Mrs. C. H. Graff, incl. <i>Link</i> ,	\$3 00
Mrs. A. C. Ireland,	5 00
Miss C. A. Lindsay, of Tabernacle Pres. Church, for support of Virginia Lindsay, Calcutta Orphanage,	20 00
Miss C. L. Ireland, incl. <i>Link</i> ,	2 00
Miss Godley,	1 00
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Total,	\$32 00

Through Theo. H. Morris, Acct'g Warden, Holy Trinity P. E. Church:	
John Bohlen Trust Fund,	400 00
Mrs. Abel Stevens, in memory of F. C. I. Greenough bed, Margaret Williamson Hospital,	10 00
Miss Greenough,	1 00
Miss Laura Clark,	1 00
Total,	\$412 00

Through Mrs. C. Howard McCarter:	
Mrs. Arthur Malcom,	5 00
Mrs. Albert Margerum,	5 00
Rev. W. H. R. Corlies,	5 00
Mr. Sam'l S. Richards,	5 00
In memory of Mrs. Jos. L. Richards,	10 00
Mrs. C. H. McCarter,	5 00
Total,	\$35 00

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Through Mrs. Wm. W. Farr:	
Miss A. P. Newbold, '06 and '07,	\$4 00
Mrs. J. B. Watson,	1 00
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Mrs. Wm. W. Farr,	25 00
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We give a list of suitable articles for the boxes prepared through directions of our Missionaries:

FOR INDIA—General Direction.

Dolls—black-haired, with china heads, hands, and feet, sizes varying from 6 to 12 and 14 inches long. Wax, composition, jointed, or kid-covered dolls are not desired.
Cawnpore.—Few dolls are used. Two or three large ones with hair desired, for prizes.
For prizes—Boxes of note-paper, desks filled, work-bags or boxes filled, boxes of lead pencils with rubbers, small looking-glasses, metal tea sets for dolls or sets of draw-

ing-room furniture. Twelve prizes are needed in the Orphanage. Cheap soaps, cotton towels, cotton handkerchiefs by the hundreds, night-gowns, very stout unbleached muslin by the piece for underclothes, outing flannel by the piece, spool thread (Nos. 30 and 50), coarse, strong combs, warm jackets for winter and material for them. Five or six yards of stout gingham is a good present for native teachers, and two and one half yards of unbleached cloth for *chuddahs* for all the mission. Quinine in powder is most useful.

Calcutta.—Besides 1000 dolls and prizes similar to those needed in Cawnpore, 1000 cotton handkerchiefs, 200 cotton towels, and 200 night-gowns.

Allahabad.—Unbleached muslin is better than sending made *kurtas*, as work is furnished thus for Christian enquirers living on the Compound. Calico or gingham, seven yards, for native teachers' dresses, bright-bordered cotton handkerchiefs, coarse combs, kindergarten maps or materials.

Jhansi.—For Hospital.—Cloth for bandages, unbleached cotton in any quantity, flannel, heavy white flannelette for skirts, sheets and pillow-cases, blankets, thin white counterpanes for single beds, pins—safety and straight, needles, thread—black and white, coarse and fine, notes books, note-paper, tape of varied widths, scissors, old linen, white rubber-sheeting, white vaseline, soap—castile, ivory, etc., sapollo, scrubbing brushes.

For Schools and Zenana Work and Nurses.—Dolls with black china heads, dressed, cards of all kinds, picture rolls, black board sheeting—crayon, pencils—lead and slate, pens, note-books, blocks of paper, bags for school books, work bags filled, prizes, cloth in 6 to 7-yard pieces suitable for Xmas gifts for Bible women and nurses, remnants of bright colored cloth for kurtas.

General use—

Kurtas—For Hindus, made of good, stout cotton cloth, bleached or unbleached, or of fast-colored prints. White ones can be finished with red borders.

Jarmas—A jacket with sleeves, worn by Bengalis, is simply hemmed, without *bindings* or *trimmings*, as only Ayahs (nurses) wear bindings, and not the better classes. Plain skirts are useful, cut straight, hemmed, and gathered into a band.

Patchwork—Basted, is needed to teach sewing to the younger scholars.

Aprons—Long sleeved, of calico or gingham.

Dresses—Simple pattern, no ruffles or trimming; long in the skirt, that they may suit children of rapid growth.

China.—No wristlets needed for some years, as the supply is over-stocked. Remnants for garments, cheap cotton bath towels and soap are used for Christmas gifts. Unbleached cotton for sheets and pillow-cases. No chalk for the Bridgman School.

For Hospital.—Boxes of safety and assorted pins, bone buttons by the gross, tape of varied width and "baby bobbin," scented soap for Christmas gifts, mosquito netting of finest mesh, unbleached sheets 7½ feet long by 5 feet wide, pillow-cases 2½ feet long by 1½ feet wide, cotton blankets in gay colors (*never white*), thin rubber cloth or rubber sheets, small kerosene stoves with one or two burners and bundles of wicks. Old linen much needed. No spreads, tray cloths, or napkins. Sliced animals, dissected maps, and scrap-books for sick children.

Japan.—Cotton table-cloths, towels, and handkerchiefs, pads, paper, pencils, soap in cakes. No scrap-books.

General Direction.—Scrap-books must be carefully prepared and no questionable pictures inserted. Pictures of children, scenery, and animals desired. Great care must be used in selecting Scripture pictures, either for the walls or in cards. Many sent cannot be used.

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